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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional)  
HO-P02368US0

In re Application of	Dean Hughes et al.	
Application Number	10/073,705-Conf. #4397	Filed February 11, 2002
For	POSTERIOR STABILIZED KNEE SYSTEM PROSTHETIC DEVICES EMPLOYING DIFFUSION HARDENED SURFACES	
Art Unit	3732	Examiner A. Ramana

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 06-2375

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I am the  applicant/inventor.

assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

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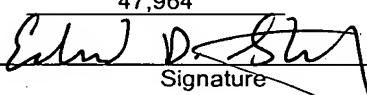
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Total of 1 forms are submitted.

## Three Month Request for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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